

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Applicant | Nicholas Frattalone | | |
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Sir:

In response to the outstanding non-final Official Action mailed June 26, 2008, the following claim amendments and remarks are being submitted by Applicant with a three-month Petition for Extension of Time for consideration by the Examiner.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this document.